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For: OPERATING DEVICE COMPRISING A  
LOCALIZED ZONE FOR THE CAPTURE OF  
A DROP OF A LIQUID OF INTEREST

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**RCE AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated April 7, 2009, please amend the patent application identified above as follows:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 10 of this paper.